



**NOTICE OF ORAL EX PARTE PRESENTATIONS (47 C.F.R. § 1.1204(10))<sup>1</sup>**

April 28, 2005

VIA ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Office of the Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Room TW B204  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: February 10, 2005 adopted Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking,  
(FCC 05-33) in the proceeding captioned: *In the Matter of Developing***

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***Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime* (CC Docket No. 01-92)**

Dear Secretary Dortch:

On March 1, 2005, we filed a draft proposal on intercarrier compensation on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioner (NARUC). The substance discussed in the oral ex parte contacts listed below tracks those materials.

Earlier this year, at its February meetings in Washington, D.C., NARUC passed a resolution relevant to the deliberations to follow the FCC's recent adoption of a further rulemaking on intercarrier compensation. Over a year ago, NARUC created the NARUC Task Force on Intercarrier Compensation (NTFIC). NTFIC sponsored a panel discussion on intercarrier compensation at the summer NARUC meeting in Salt Lake City, and, in the following months, conducted six additional multi-day meetings. At each of these meetings, NTFIC Commissioners met to discuss various proposed solutions to the current regime with from 20 to 40 plus stakeholders from the full range of telecommunications industries. In December,

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<sup>1</sup> NARUC respectfully requests any waiver needed to file this notice out-of-time.

the NTFIC drafted a Task Force Proposal that created, for States that opt in, a unified state-wide scheme of intercarrier compensation. The Task Force Proposal, which is still being reviewed and refined by NTFIC, most recently last week at the NTIFC meeting in Washington, D.C, continues to be adjusted from its original incarnation based on additional discussions among industry and State stakeholders participating in the Task Force's deliberations. That proposal was the basis of NARUC's March 1, 2005 written ex parte.

While in town for the most recent NTIFC meetings last week, state commissioners and some state staff met with all four FCC commissioners and their staffs regarding the proposal and the stakeholder meetings.

Specifically, Oregon Commissioner Ray Baum and his staffer Andy Margeson met with Commissioner Copps on April 20<sup>th</sup> in the morning. He and Andy also met separately with Commissioner Abernathy and with Daniel Gonzales, Senior legal advisor to Chairman Martin the following day.

Also on April 22, Iowa Commissioner Elliott Smith, Michigan Commissioner Robert B. Nelson, North Dakota Commissioner Tony Clark, Indiana Commissioner Larry Landis and Commissioner Ray Baum met separately with Chairman Martin and Commissioner Aldelstein. Except for Commissioner Clark, these Commissioners also met separately on April 22 with Daniel Gonzales after meeting with Chairman Martin.

The meetings covered generally the outline of the NTIFC proposal filed earlier in this proceeding and suggested that additional changes to the draft might be forthcoming.

If you have any questions or comments about this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me at 202.898.2207.

Respectfully Submitted,

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